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Hon. Loretta A. Preska Chief United States District Judge Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, NY 10007

Re:

<u>United States v. Brian Coll</u> S1 15 Cr. 360 (LAP)

Dear Chief Judge Preska:

I am the attorney of record for Brian Coll in *U.S. v. Coll, et al.*, 15 Cr. 360 (LAP), in the United States District Court, Southern District of New York. I am respectfully requesting the authorization that will permit my paralegal, Hiba Abdullah, to spend time on this case at the rate of \$60/hr to assist with discovery and other matters. Granting this request will not only allow me to properly represent my client but will allow me to reduce the costs of my CJA representation of Mr. Coll.

If your Honor grants this request, I respectfully request your Honor sign the accompanying CJA 21 form and return it to my office. Should your Honor have any questions, please feel free to contact our office. Thank you for your consideration.

Sam A. Schmidt

Sincere

Loretta A. Preska, CJ, USDC

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